LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: November 26, 2002 AGENDA ITEM NO.: 8

CONSENT: X REGULAR: CLOSED SESSION: (Confidential)

ACTION: X INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: FY 2003 Fire Programs Funding

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a resolution appropriating Fire Programs Funding in the amount of \$87,475.

<u>SUMMARY:</u> The receipt of annual Fire Programs Funding (\$87,475 for Fiscal Year 2003), which is administered by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs, necessitates a City Council resolution appropriating these monies. These funds, fully reimbursable from the Virginia Fire Programs Fund, are utilized to assist in the purchase of firefighting protective clothing and equipment, and training and other programs/activities.

As a result of 1985 Virginia General Assembly legislative action, the Fire Programs Fund is administered by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs. This legislation, as amended, authorizes an annual assessment against all licensed insurance companies selling selected types of fire and fire-related insurance in the Commonwealth. The assessment is appropriated to localities in the Commonwealth on a per-capita basis for the purpose of improving fire service operations via expenditures for fire service training, fire prevention and public safety education programs, fire fighting equipment, protective clothing, etc.

PRIOR ACTION(S): None

<u>BUDGET IMPACT</u>: This funding is received annually from the Virginia Fire Programs Fund. No matching funds are required. Purchases vary from year to year, however most purchases have no appreciable adverse budgetary impact. Significant benefits occur from the operational enhancements made possible by this funding.

Proposed Purchases: turnout gear/helmets (22,000), training (20,000), operational analysis software (30,000) public educational materials (2,475), hydraulic rescue equipment (13,000).

CONTACT(S): Department Head - Cecil V. Martinette, Jr., Fire Chief (847-1564)

Staff Contact – William G. McChesney – Fire Administrative Officer (847-1564)

ATTACHMENT: Resolution

REVIEWED BY: lkp

BE IT RESOLVED That \$87,475 is appropriated from the City/State Aid Projects Fund, with full reimbursement from the Virginia Fire Programs Fund, to assist in the purchase of protective clothing/equipment and to support various fire programs/activities within the Fire and EMS Department.	
Introduced:	Adopted:
Certified: Clerk of Council	

RESOLUTION:

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